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REMARKS

In light of the amendments to the application noted above and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-38 are pending. Claims 1-14 are the original patent claims and stand unamended. Claims 15-38 are previously added claims. Claims 15, 19, 23, 27, 30, 33 and 36 are amended herein. Claims 16-18, 20-22, 24-26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 and 38 stand unamended.

At paragraph 5 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 15-38 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicant has removed the language objected to by the Examiner from the independent claims, and therefore requests that the rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph be withdrawn.

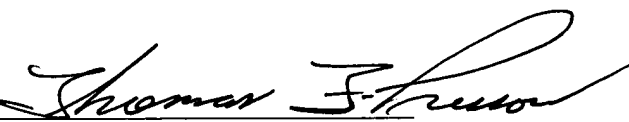
Furthermore, dependent claims 16-18, 20-22, 24-26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 and 38 depend, either directly or indirectly, from one of independent claims and are therefore allowable as depending from allowable independent base claims. Additionally, each of these claims presents an independently patentable combination in and of its own right, and is therefore patentable for this additional reason.

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